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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: CRITIQUE OF E&E(CPX) AND SIXTHFLT EXERCISES

1. THE JANUARY 9 - 12 ROME CPX AND SIXTHFLT EXERCISE
ON THE USS GUAM WERE MOST USEFUL FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS,
PARTICULARLY FOR THE TWO MAN TRIPOLI CONTINGENT. THE
CPX SCENARIO WAS WELL THOUGH OUT AND EXTREMELY REALISTIC,
THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF MAJOR HALSAVER AND HIS CREW.

2. THE SCENARIO PLACED PERHAPS A BIT TOO MUCH EMPHASIS
ON EVENTUAL MILITARY ACTION AND DOWNPLAYED THE EARLIER
PHASES OF AN EVACUATION PLAN, BUT THIS WAS INEVITABLE,
GIVEN THE NEED TO HAVE A SOLID LINK BETWEEN THE CPX
AND THE SIXTHFLT EXERCISE.

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3. THE REMPO WAS FAST AND FURIOUS AND AT TIMES ALL TOO
REALISTIC. BY THE END OF THE ROME PORTION OUR ENERGIES
WERE SPENT. PERHAPS IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER TO BEGIN
A BIT EARLIER THE FIRST AFTERNOON OF THE EXERCISE,
HAVE THE NEXT DAY AS SCHEDULED, AND THEN DRAW THE
CPX TO A CLOSE IN THE MORNING RATHER THAN THE AFTERNOON

OF THE THIRD DAY.

4. ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT OUTCOMES OF THE CPX WAS THE REALIZATION THAT COMMUNICATIONS IS SO VITALLY IMPORTANT. WE SOON DISCOVERED DURING THE SCENARIO THAT "IN THE REAL WORLD" COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN OUR EMBASSY AND THE SIXTHFLT WOULD HAVE BEEN A REAL PROBLEM. SOMETHING MORE THAN THE PRESENT KWM-2A PINETREE NET SHOULD CERTAINLY BE CONSIDERED FOR POSTS LIKE TRIPOLI. A COMMUNICATIONS PACKAGE, SUCH AS THE ONE INSERTED INTO BEIRUT LAST YEAR, SHOULD BE SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED FOR MANY NEA POSTS.

5. THE SIXTHFLT EXERCISE WAS VERY BENEFICIAL FOR ALL CONCERNED. THE STATE DEPT PARTICIPANTS COULD AS A RESULT BETTER UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY THE MILITARY IN AN ACTUAL EVACUATION. AT THE SAME TIME, THE MILITARY PARTICIPANTS LEARNED FROM THE STATE DEPT AND CIVILIAN INPUT, ESPECIALLY DURING THE FRANK CRITIQUE SESSION AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE EXERCISE.

6. THE "INTERFACE" BETWEEN THE STATE AND DEFENSE DEPTS WAS CLEARLY THE MOST USEFUL PART OF THE WHOLE EXERCISE. WE ALL UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER A LITTLE BETTER NOW, AND HOPEFULLY, IN E&E PLANNING AT LEAST, WE CAN HELP EACH OTHER TO DO OUR RESPECTIVE TASKS MORE EFFECTIVELY.

7. WE RECOMMEND THAT EVERY E&E OFFICER FROM ANY
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SENSITIVE POST BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A CPX FAIRLY SOON AFTER HIS ARRIVAL AT POST. CONSEQUENTLY, WE RECOMMEND TRIPOLI PARTICIPATION FOR THE CPX EVERY 18 TO 24 MONTHS.
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